

By Dalter Smith

J B. No. 2346

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the establishment of the Texas Board of Law Enforcement.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Title 4, Government Code, is amended by adding Chapter 412 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 412. TEXAS BOARD OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Sec. 412.001. TEXAS BOARD OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. The Texas Board of Law Enforcement is established.

Sec. 412.002. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. The Texas Department of Law Enforcement is established under the supervision of the board.

Sec. 412.003. COMPOSITION OF BOARD. The board shall consist of nine persons appointed by the governor.

Sec. 412.004. TERMS. (a) Members serve staggered six-year terms with the terms of two members expiring in odd-numbered years.

(b) A member serves until his successor is appointed and qualifies.

(c) A vacancy on the board shall be filled by the governor for the unexpired term.

(d) The governor shall appoint one member of the board to serve as chairman and one member to serve as vice-chairman.

Sec. 412.005. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. The board shall employ an executive director to manage the operations of the Texas Department

1 of Law Enforcement. The executive director serves at the will of
2 the board and is subject to the orders of the board in the
3 operation of the department. The executive director shall employ
4 persons necessary for the management and operation of the
5 department.

6 Sec. 412.006. DEPARTMENT DUTIES. The Texas Department of
7 Law Enforcement is responsible for the coordination of statewide
8 law enforcement efforts, the certification and licensing of peace
9 officers, the certification of fire protection personnel, and the
10 licensing of private security personnel.

11 SECTION 2. (a) On January 1, 1990, the powers, duties, and
12 obligations of the following entities and their officers are
13 transferred to the Texas Board of Law Enforcement:

14 (1) the Department of Public Safety;

15 (2) the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer
16 Standards and Education;

17 (3) the Commission on Fire Protection Personnel
18 Standards and Education; and

19 (4) the Texas Board of Private Investigators and
20 Private Security Agencies.

21 (b) On or before January 1, 1990, all property and records
22 in the custody of each entity listed in Subsection (a) of this
23 section and all funds appropriated by the legislature for the use
24 of the entity shall be transferred to the Texas Board of Law
25 Enforcement. On the transfer, the entity is abolished.

26 SECTION 3. The governor shall appoint the initial members to
27 the Texas Board of Law Enforcement on or before October 1, 1989,

1 and shall designate three of those appointees for two-year terms,
2 three for four-year terms, and three for six-year terms.

3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 1989.

4 SECTION 5. The importance of this legislation and the
5 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an
6 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the
7 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several
8 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

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1. Filed with the Chief Clerk.

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2. Read first time and Referred to Committee on

State Affairs

3. Reported _____ favorably (as amended) and sent to Printer at _____
(as substituted)

4. Printed and distributed at _____

5. Sent to Committee on Calendars at _____

6. Read second time (amended); passed to third reading (failed) by (Non-Record Vote)
(Record Vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, _____
present, not voting).

7. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H.B. _____ was ordered
engrossed prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of _____ yeas,
_____ nays, and _____ present, not voting).

8. Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed
to suspend) by a four-fifths vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, and _____
present, not voting).

9. Read third time (amended); finally passed (failed) by (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote
of _____ yeas, _____ nays, _____ present, not voting).

10. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.

11. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H. B. _____ was finally passed
prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of _____ yeas, _____
nays, and _____ present, not voting).

12. Ordered Engrossed at _____

13. Engrossed.

14. Returned to Chief Clerk at _____

15. Sent to Senate.

Chief Clerk of the House

16. Received from the House

17. Read, referred to Committee on _____

18. Reported favorably

19. Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read
first time.

20. Ordered not printed.

21. Regular order of business suspended by
(a viva voce vote.)
(_____ yeas, _____ nays.)

_____ 22. To permit consideration, reading and passage, Senate and Constitutional Rules suspended by vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays.

_____ 23. Read second time _____ passed to third reading by:
(a viva voce vote.)
(_____ yeas, _____ nays.)

_____ 24. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.

_____ 25. Senate and Constitutional 3-Day Rules suspended by vote of _____ yeas,
_____ nays to place bill on third reading and final passage.

_____ 26. Read third time and passed by
(a viva voce vote.)
(_____ yeas, _____ nays.)

OTHER ACTION:

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Secretary of the Senate

_____ 27. Returned to the House.

_____ 28. Received from the Senate (with amendments.)
(as substituted.)

_____ 29. House (Concurred) (Refused to Concur) in Senate (Amendments)
(Substitute) by a (Non-Record
Vote) (Record Vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, _____ present,
not voting).

_____ 30. Conference Committee Ordered.

_____ 31. Conference Committee Report Adopted (Rejected) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record
Vote of _____ yeas, _____ nays, and _____ present, not voting).

_____ 32. Ordered Enrolled at _____

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